

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA  
HELD BY CONFERENCE CALL  
February 25, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia held a special meeting via conference call on Wednesday, February 25, 2009. The Chair of the Board, Regent Richard L. Tucker, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. Present on Wednesday, in addition to Chair Tucker, were Vice Chair Robert F. Hatcher and Regents James A. Bishop, Kenneth R. Bernard, Jr., Hugh A. Carter, Jr., William H. Cleveland, Felton Jenkins, W. Mansfield Jennings, Jr., James R. Jolly, Elridge W. McMillan, William H. NeSmith, Jr., Doreen Stiles Poitevint, Willis J. Potts, Jr., Wanda Yancey Rodwell, Kessell D. Stelling, Jr., Benjamin Tarbuton, III, and Allan Vigil.

**ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Secretary to the Board, J. Burns Newsome reported that Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr. had received permission to be absent from the call.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At approximately 9:05 a.m. Chair Tucker called for an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. With motion properly made and variously seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. Also in attendance were Chancellor Erroll B. Davis Jr. via phone; the Chief Academic Officer & Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Susan Herbst via phone, the Chief Operating Officer Robert E. Watts, the Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs & Secretary to the Board, J. Burns Newsome, and the Senior Vice Chancellor for External Affairs, Thomas E. Daniel. In accordance with H.B. 278, Section 3 (amending O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4), an affidavit regarding this executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

**OPEN SESSION**

At approximately 9:18 a.m., Chair Tucker reconvened the Board in its regular open session and announced that no action had been taken while in executive session. Upon hearing the recommendation of Chancellor Davis, the Regents unanimously approved the appointment of Dr. G.P. "Bud" Peterson, as the next President of the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Chair Tucker thanked the Chair and members of the Special Regents Presidential Search Committee for their time and efforts toward this very important responsibility of the Board, the election of a president for one of the System's institutions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:20 a.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2009.

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J. Burns Newsome  
Secretary, Board of Regents  
University System of Georgia

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Richard L. Tucker  
Chair, Board of Regents  
University System of Georgia